



# MINUTES

## San Luis Obispo County Planning Commission

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**MEETING DATE:** THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2005

**MEETING LOCATION AND SCHEDULE**

Regular Planning Commission meetings are held in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Government Center, San Luis Obispo, on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Regular Adjourned Meetings are held when deemed necessary. The Regular Meeting schedule is as follows:

Meeting Begins:	8:45 a.m.	
Morning Recess:	10:00 -	10:15 a.m.
Noon Recess:	12:00 -	1:30 p.m.
Afternoon Recess:	3:00 -	3:15 p.m.

*ALL HEARINGS ARE ADVERTISED FOR 8:45 A.M. HOWEVER, HEARINGS GENERALLY PROCEED IN THE ORDER LISTED. THIS TIME IS ONLY AN ESTIMATE AND IS NOT TO BE CONSIDERED AS TIME GUARANTEED. THE PUBLIC AND APPLICANTS ARE ADVISED TO ARRIVE EARLY.*

## MEETING CANCELLED

## NEXT REGULAR MEETING: MARCH 10, 2005

LONA FRANKLIN, SECRETARY  
COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

## **PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING PROCEDURES**

Planning Commission meetings are conducted under the authority of the Chair. The Chair will announce each item which will be read into the record by the Secretary; thereafter, the hearing will be conducted as follows:

1. The Planning Department staff will present the staff report and recommendation on the proposal being heard and respond to questions from commissioners.
2. The Chair will open the public hearing by first asking the project applicant/agent to present any points necessary for the commission, as well as the public, to fully understand the proposal.
3. The Chair will then ask other interested persons to come to the podium to present testimony either in support of or in opposition to the proposal.
4. Finally, the Chair will invite the applicant/agent back to the podium to respond to the public testimony. Thereafter, the Chair will close the public testimony portion of the hearing and limit further discussion to the commission and staff prior to the commission taking a decision.

## **RULES FOR PRESENTING TESTIMONY**

Planning Commission hearings often involve highly emotional issues. It is important that all participants conduct themselves with courtesy, dignity and respect. All persons who wish to present testimony must observe the following rules:

1. When you come to the podium, first identify yourself and give your place of residence. Commission meetings are tape recorded and this information is required for the record.
2. Address your testimony to the Chair. Conversation or debate between a speaker at the podium and a member of the audience is not permitted.
3. Keep your testimony brief and to the point. Talk about the proposal and not about individuals involved. On occasion, the Chair may be required to place time limits on testimony; in those cases proposal description/clarification will be limited to 12 - 15 minutes, individual testimony to 3 minutes, and speakers representing organized groups to 5 minutes. Focus testimony on the most important parts of the proposal; do not repeat points made by others. And, please, no applauding during testimony.
4. Written testimony is acceptable. However, letters are most effective when presented at least a week in advance of the hearing. Mail should be directed to the Planning Department, attention: Planning Commission Secretary.

## **APPEALS**

If you are dissatisfied with any aspect of an approval or denial of a project, you have the right to appeal this decision to the Board of Supervisors up to 14 days after the date of action, in writing, to the Planning Department. If legitimate coastal resource issues related to our local Coastal Program are raised in the appeal, there will be no fee. If an appeal is filed for an inland project, or for a coastal project with no legitimate coastal issues, there will be a fee of \$578. If a fee is required, it must accompany the appeal form. The appeal will not be considered complete if a fee is required but not paid. There must be an original form and original signature, a FAX is not accepted.

Planning Commission decisions may also be appealable to the California Coastal Commission pursuant to Coastal Act Section 30603 and the County Coastal Zone Land Use Ordinance 23.01.043. Exhaustion of appeals at the county is required prior to appealing the matter to the California Coastal Commission. The appeal to the Board of Supervisors must be made to the Planning Commission Secretary, Department of Planning and Building, and the appeal to the California Coastal Commission must be made directly to the California Coastal Commission Office. These regulations contain specific time limits to appeal, criteria, and procedures that must be followed to appeal this action. The regulations provide the California Coastal Commission 10 working days following the expiration of the County appeal period to appeal the decision. This means that no construction permits can be issued until both the County appeal period and the additional Coastal Commission appeal period have expired without an appeal being filed.

Contact the Coastal Commission's Santa Cruz Office at (831) 427-4863 for further information on appeal procedures.

**HEARING IMPAIRED:** There are devices for the hearing impaired available upon request.

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